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One is the FCC's refusal to allow the public, or even Congress, to be given information and to have the opportunity to comment on this very crucial rulemaking proposal.

The second is the actual proposal, which attempts to move towards the concentration of media ownership to fewer and fewer corporations and individuals.

It is frightening that we are approaching some sort of glorified "Radio Cuba" scenario similar to the status of information in single-media totalitarian countries where there is only one viewpoint available to the public.

It is also disconcerting that the FCC is leading the way to just such a controlled future.

I urge the FCC to disclose its intentions on the future of concentrated media ownership and to allow the public and our elected representatives in Congress input into this issue.

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Wyatt Bates
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